REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 13, 16, and 18-22 have been cancelled. Claims 2, 3, and 17 have been amended to change their dependency to an allowed claim. Claim 27 has been amended to include an overcoat layer similar to that of allowable Claim 25. All of these amendments are supported by the original disclosure.

Applicants note with appreciation that previous rejections have been withdrawn and that Claims 11, 4-8, 10, 12, 14, 23, 25, and 26 are considered to have allowable subject matter.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. §102(e)

Claims 2, 3, 13, 16-22, 27, and 28 have been rejected as anticipated by U.S. Patent 6,777,156 (Goto et al.). While the rejection is traversed on the merits, Applicants are amending the claims in order to expedite allowance of the application. As noted above, several rejected claims have been cancelled and others can be amended to include allowable subject matter or to change their dependency to an allowable claim. Thus, it is believed that this rejection should be withdrawn.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, reconsideration of this patent application is respectfully requested. A prompt and favorable action by the examiner is earnestly solicited.

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